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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Michael J. Gazewood

Group Art Unit: 3628

Filed: Concurrently Herewith

Serial No.:

For: "Ribbed Sealing Element And Method Of Use"

Examiner: J. Hewitt

Docket No.: 115.015

Attention: Box Patent Application
Assistant Commissioner For Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

CONTINUATION APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

Dear Sir:

This is a request for filing a Continuation Application under 37 CFR 1.60 of prior application Serial No. 09/303,201, filed on 30 April 1999 by Inventor, Michael J. Gazewood entitled "Ribbed Sealing Element And Method Of Use."

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___ 1. Enter the amendment previously filed on _____ under 37 CFR 1.116 but unentered, in the prior application.

X 2. A preliminary amendment is enclosed.

The filing fee is calculated on the basis of the claims existing in the prior application as amended at 1 and 2 above.

	(Col.1)	(Col.2)	Small Entity			Other Than A Small Entity	
FOR:	NO. FILED	NO. EXTRA	RATE	FEE	or	RATE	FEE
BASIC FEE	_____	_____	_____	\$ 355		<u>X</u>	\$ 710
TOTAL CLAIMS	<u>17</u>	<u>0</u>	X 9=	\$ _____	or	X18=	\$ _____
INDEP CLAIMS	<u>3</u>	<u>0</u>	X40=	\$ _____	or	X80=	\$ _____
___ MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM PRESENTED			+135=	\$ <u>0</u>	or	+270=	\$ _____

*If the difference in Col. 1 is TOTAL \$ 710.00 or TOTAL _____ less than zero, enter "0" in Col.2.

X 3. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1822.

X 4. A check in the amount of \$ 710.00 is enclosed.

___ 5. A new oath or declaration is included since this application is a continuation-in-part which discloses and claims additional matter.

X 6. Amend the specification by changing the first sentence to read:

This application is a _____ continuation-in-part
X continuation
_____ division

of application Serial No. 09/303,201 filed 30 April 1999.

___ 7. A verified statement of small entity was filed in the parent application and status as a small entity is still proper and desired.

___ 8. Priority of application Serial No. _____ filed on _____ and co-pending priority continuation application filed on in _____ is claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119.

- X 9. The prior application is assigned of record to Thru-Tubing Technology, Inc..
- X 10. The power of attorney in the prior application is to:
C. Dean Domingue and Robert L. Waddell.
11. Please transfer the drawings from the prior application to the new application.
- X 12. A true copy of the parent application (Serial No. 09/303,201) as filed is enclosed including a copy of the Declaration and Assignment filed in the parent application. The application contains twenty-five (25) pages including the Abstract, and thirteen (13) sheets of drawings.
13. Also enclosed: Request for month extension of time for response with fee of \$.

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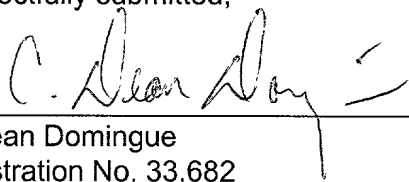
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The undersigned states that the enclosed application papers comprise a true copy of the prior application as filed.

Respectfully submitted,

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EXPRESS MAIL CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the attached Express Mail Certificate, Continuation Application Transmittal, Preliminary Amendment, Copy of Original Application (25 pages including Application and Abstract), Information Disclosure Statement, PTO Form 1449, Prior Art References, 13 Sheets of Drawings, Copy of Declaration and Copy of Small Entity Status, \$710 Check, Assignment, Assignment Cover Sheet and a stamped postcard are being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 C.F.R. 1.10 on the date indicated above and is addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D. C. 20231.

Respectfully submitted,



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